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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General
3 Assembly pays honor and respect to individuals who have given
4 their lives in the line of duty; and

5 WHEREAS, Craig Whisenand was born in Peoria on May 24,
6 1971; his parents were Vern and Phyllis Kenney Whisenand; he
7 married Steffany Ramsey on June 14, 2014 in Tremont; and

8 WHEREAS, Craig Whisenand graduated from Tremont High
9 School in 1989; he attended Illinois Central College in East
10 Peoria and completed his studies at the University of Illinois
11 Police Training Institute in Champaign; and

12 WHEREAS, Craig Whisenand began his career as a corrections
13 officer at the Tazewell County Jail on April 14, 2000; on
14 February 10, 2005, he was appointed to serve as a Deputy
15 Sheriff with the Tazewell County Sheriff's Department; and

16 WHEREAS, Craig Whisenand attended the Tremont United
17 Methodist Church; he enjoyed flowers, gardening, antiquing,
18 and spending time on the farm; he also loved all sports,
19 especially encouraging his sons to participate in hockey and
20 baseball; and

1 WHEREAS, Craig Whisenand was killed in the line of duty
2 while responding to a call on August 11, 2015; and

3 WHEREAS, Craig Whisenand was preceded in death by his
4 grandparents; and

5 WHEREAS, Craig Whisenand is survived by his wife, Steffany;
6 his parents; his 2 sons, Hunter Stephen and Carter Stephen
7 Whisenand; his daughter, Sophie Jean Frederick; his sister,
8 Krista (Steve) Muselman; his 2 nephews, Joey and Justin
9 Muselman; and his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Steve and
10 Peg Ramsey; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
12 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
13 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the section of
14 Illinois Route 9 in Tremont beginning at the intersection of
15 Old Route 9 and ending at the intersection of Baer Road as the
16 "Deputy Craig Whisenand Memorial Highway"; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
18 is requested to erect at all suitable locations, consistent
19 with State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or
20 signs giving notice of the name of the "Deputy Craig Whisenand
21 Memorial Highway"; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Deputy Craig Whisenand, the Tazewell
3 County Sheriff's Department, the Mayor of the City of Tremont,
4 and the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation.